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Request for Continued ExaminationAtty. Docket No. DE920000090US1  
(590.160)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Bayer et al.  
Serial No. : 09/683,275 Examiner : M. Farooq  
Filed : December 6, 2001 Art Unit : 2182  
For : VIRTUALIZATION OF I/O ADAPTER RESOURCES

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in the above-identified application.

1. Extension of Time

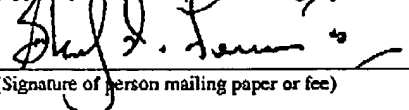
- ☐ No extension of time is needed.
- ☒ Applicant requests an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A Petition for an extension of time is enclosed.
- ☒ In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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(590.160)2. **Submission Required Under 37 CFR 1.114**

- ☐ Previously submitted  
☐ Please enter the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_.  
☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_.  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_.
- ☒ Enclosed  
☒ Amendment/Reply  
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☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_.

3. **Miscellaneous**

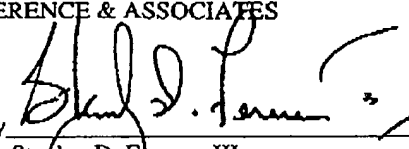
- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months.
- ☐ Other \_\_\_\_.

4. **Fees**

- ☐ Applicant encloses herewith a check for \$\_\_\_\_ to cover the RCE fee.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$790 RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) to Deposit Account No. 50-0510.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully submitted,

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